THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE R.SUBHASH REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO.26819 OF 2001

DATED 23-09-2005.

Between:

Smt. G.Pramela, w/o Rajendra Naidu,

Aged about 40 years, licencee of

a. Soda-cum-water packets and pan shot,

Situated at Saptagiri Link Bus Station,

Tirupathi, Chittoor District.

b. Public Telephone Booth,

situated at Sayee Guest House,

Commercial Complex, Central Bus Station,

Tirupati, Chittoor District and two others

.... Petitioners

And

A.P.S.R.T.C., rep. by its Managing

Director, Musheerabad, Hyderabad and two others.

.... Respondents

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ORDER:

The petitioners were granted licences for doing business in the complex of Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation. It is stated, that the petitioners were doing business, running pan-shop, coffee & tea stall, telephone booth, etc.,. It is their grievance, that they could not do business during 15-10-2001 to 07-11-2001, when the employees were on strike pursuant to the response to the call given by the Joint Action Committee of APSRTC Employees' Union. They seek directions to the respondents for remission of proportionate rentals for such period, commencing from 15-10-2001 to 07-11-2001.

There were no instructions from the respondent authorities for closure of their business premises during the said period. During the said period, whether they closed the business or not is a question of fact, which cannot be decided in the Writ Petition. Moreover, the learned Standing Counsel has placed before this Court the order passed by the Division Bench, where, such relief sought for was rejected. For the foregoing reasons, I do not see any merit in this Writ Petition.

The writ petition is devoid of merits and the same is accordingly dismissed. However, it is open for the petitioners to avail any other remedy available under law. No order as to costs.

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JUSTICE R.SUBHASH REDDY

DATED:23-09-2005.

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